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**Amendments to the Drawings**

The drawings are amended to remove the notation "1/3", "2/3", and "3/3". The amended drawings are provided as enclosures.

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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-22 remain pending, of which claims 1, 21, and 22 are currently amended. No claims are canceled or added via the present submission.

The drawings stand objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a), which requires that the drawings show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. According to the Office Action, claim 22 specifies that the invention, a digital broadcasting receiver, has a video display, an audio output unit, and a video recorder.

Applicant respectfully disagrees. Claim 22 does not specify that the digital broadcasting receiver has a video display, an audio output unit, and a video recorder. Instead, the claim states that the digital broadcasting receiver has a *path for introducing a signal to* a video display, a *path for introducing a signal to* an audio output unit, and/or a *path for introducing a signal to* a video recorder. Paragraph [0019] of applicant's specification confirms that Fig. 1 shows these paths as elements 18-21.

Accordingly, the drawings comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a), so applicant solicits the withdrawal of this ground of objection.

The drawings also stand objected to because they display "1/3", "2/3", and "3/3". Applicant acknowledges that often this notation is used for indicating different pages instead of indicating different figures. However, no rule is cited in the Office Action that this notation can *only* be used to indicate different pages. Accordingly, applicant must respectfully disagree that the notation as used justifies an objection.

Nonetheless, applicant removes the notation to expedite prosecution. Withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is now solicited.

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Claims 21 and 22 stand objected to, and this issue is addressed in the amendments shown above. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the claims is now solicited.

Claim 22 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as not enabled. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

According to the Office Action, the digital broadcasting receiver in applicant's Fig. 1 does not include two paths for introducing signals to a video display or to an audio output unit and to a video recorder. However, paragraph [0019] of applicant's specification explains that: audio output path 18 is a path to an audio input unit in a video recorder; video output path 19 is a path to a video input unit in the video recorder; audio output path 20 is a path to a speaker; and video output path 21 is a path to a display.

Therefore, applicant must respectfully disagree that the digital broadcasting receiver in Fig. 1 does not include two paths for introducing signals to a video display or to an audio output unit and to a video recorder. Path 21 is a path to a display (a "video display"), path 20 is a path to a speaker (an "audio output unit"), and either of paths 18 and 19 are paths to a video recorder. Thus, there are a total of four paths.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the enablement rejection is now requested.

Claims 1-22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite. The Office Action implies that, because the preambles of the independent claims state that the digital broadcasting receiver has an error correcting function, the bodies of the claims must recite similar text.

Applicant respectfully disagrees that this characteristic of the claims renders them indefinite. Line 2 of each claim ends with "comprising," which means that the following text

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describes *some* of the invention. The applicant is not required to describe every feature of the invention.

However, to expedite prosecution, applicant amends the claims to remove this recitation. Applicant also effects other amendments to address formal matters.

Withdrawal of the indefiniteness rejection is now solicited.

Applicant appreciates the indication that claims 1-21 would be allowed if the indefiniteness rejection were overcome. In view of the amendments and remarks above, applicant submits that these claims and claim 22 are now allowable.

Having addressed all issues presented in the Office Action, applicant now requests a Notice of Allowability. If issues remain regarding the condition of this application for allowance, the Examiner is welcome to contact applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below to discuss resolution of the issues.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicant petitions for an extension of time. The fee for the extension, and any other fees that may be due, may be debited from Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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Enclosures: Amended drawings (Replacement Drawings)

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